(c) REMARKS

In updating the status of the claims on allowance, it became apparent that a minor issue unrelated to patentability could be deemed to be present in claims 1 and 12. The claims recite a ratio of hardness/density. The hardness is recited to be measured in Asker-C hardness. The density is not specifically recited, but the specification at page 7, lines 22 and 27 specifically recites "g/cc³" for density. Tables 4 and 5 in the specification also recite the density in g/cc³. Finally, the conventional measure of density of a solid is in g/cc³.

Therefore, to be completely certain, it is requested that claims 1 and 12 be amended to specifically recite the explicit measure of density which is already implicitly present. No new matter is added since specific support is present.

No new search is needed and no material work on the part of the Office is required.

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